The ACPE Standards 2016 require schools of pharmacy to prepare students to provide patient-centered care in a variety of practice settings as a contributing member of an Interprofessional team. Schools are also required to expose students to working with prescribers as well as other health care disciplines. At the UMKC School of Pharmacy, Interprofessional experiences will be embedded into existing courses throughout the didactic and experiential curriculum.

Students at each of the three locations will be required to participate in these Interprofessional activities which include simulation, small group discussions and other modalities. Interprofessional experiences will be unique to each location with respect to other health professionals that pharmacy students will interact with and will occur at different dates and times based on program availability. All pharmacy students will have interprofessional experiences across the 3 didactic years that meet the core Interprofessional Education Collaborative (IPEC) domains of Roles and Responsibilities, Values and Ethics, Interprofessional Communication and Teams and Teamwork. Students will also engage in team-based care as part of their APPE and reflect upon their engagement with other professions and contributions to the team. Failure to participate or engage in Interprofessional experiences and meet the requirements of the program will result in the student not receiving course credit for the activity where embedded into the curriculum.

The UMKC Health Sciences mission for IPE is: To promote excellence in healthcare through interprofessional education, collaborative practice, scholarship, and service. UMKC will achieve this with focus on the Quadruple Aim of healthcare emphasizing patient safety, individual and population health outcomes, efficiencies and self-care for providers.

The vision for IPE is: UMKC will shape the future of healthcare through high quality interprofessional learning experiences, create a culture of shared educational practice, teach and demonstrate standards for patient-centered, team-based collaborative care, and become a leader in developing interprofessional education programs that enhance patient-centered care.

Upon matriculation through the UMKC School of Pharmacy program, graduates will be expected to model of the values of Interprofessional team-based care which include: 1. Describing the roles and responsibilities of interprofessional team members, 2. Articulating the role of the pharmacist on the interprofessional team, 3. Communicating effectively as a member of an interprofessional team, and 4. Engaging in collaborative decision-making as part of the interprofessional team.

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